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280 SIGNATURE - CHAPARRAL



Builder:

Chaparral

Model:

280 Signature

LOA:

28' 0" (8.70 m)

Min Draft:

2' 9" (0.84 m)

Beam:

8' 0" (2.59 m)

Max Draft:

2' 9" (0.84 m)

Cruise Speed:

24 kn / 27.62 mph

Max Speed:

34 kn / 39.13 mph

Gross Tonnage:

1 Pounds

Water Capacity:

13.21 Gallons

Fuel Capacity:

73.44 Gallons

Sleeps:

2

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OVERVIEW

Discover the 280 Signature by Chaparral—a multi-purpose motor yacht constructed on a tried-and-true fiberglass construction foundation. Shestakov Yacht Sales presents this model, and broker Andrey Shestakov is available to assist you through selection, inspection, and closing with seasoned market knowledge.

Selecting a 280 Signature

For buyers seeking a compact yacht that balances size, performance, and ease of ownership, the 280 Signature is an attractive option. Measuring 28 ft (8.7 m) LOA with an 8 ft (2.59 m) beam and a draft of 2.756 ft (0.84 m), it uses a single Mercruiser inboard to provide manageable handling and straightforward maintenance. Built as a modest motor yacht on a reliable fiberglass construction hull, it typically cruises at 24 kn (27.62 mph) and can reach 34 kn (39.13 mph), while offering private overnight space for two and a functional head.

Features of the Model

- Single-engine efficiency: a lone Mercruiser inboard driven by Gas/Petrol simplifies operation and reduces mechanical complexity.
- Confident running surface: a monohull layout from the Chaparral Design Team delivers predictable, confidence-inspiring handling.
- Construction: a fiberglass construction hull paired with a Fiberglass deck for long-term durability and minimal upkeep.
- Performance: a typical cruise of 24 kn with a maximum near 34 kn, accommodating both relaxed day outings and quick passages.
- Liveaboard essentials: designed to sleep 2 with 1 head, and tankage suited

for short getaways (73.44 gal fuel; 13.21 gal water).

- Design pedigree: hull and interior styling by the Chaparral Design Team, reflecting Chaparral's experience.

Technical Specifications

- Builder: Chaparral
- Model: 280 Signature
- Type: motor yacht
- Hull: fiberglass construction; Configuration: Monohull; Deck: Fiberglass
- LOA: 28 ft (8.7 m)
- Beam: 8 ft (2.59 m)
- Draft (min/max): 2.756 ft (0.84 m)
- Speeds: Cruise 24 kn (27.62 mph); Max 34 kn (39.13 mph)
- Gross Tonnage: 1 GT
- Engines: 1 x Mercruiser; Type: Inboard; Fuel: Gas/Petrol
- Designers: Hull — Chaparral Design Team; Interior — Chaparral Design Team
- Accommodation: Sleeps 2; Accommodation count: 2; Heads: 1
- Capacities: Fuel 73.44 gal; Fresh water 13.21 gal

Pricing and Ordering

Pricing and current availability for the 280 Signature shift with market dynamics. Reach out to Andrey Shestakov at Shestakov Yacht Sales for up-to-date quotes, active listings, and to arrange viewings. Our brokerage can organize inspections, sea trials, and handle documentation to help expedite your acquisition of this motor yacht built by Chaparral.

Questions and Answers

Q: What are the performance figures of the 280 Signature? A: The model delivers a **cruising speed** around 24 kn (27.62 mph) and a **top speed** near 34 kn (39.13 mph), offering a capable pace for a motor yacht.

Q: What engine configuration does it have? A: It is fitted with **1** Mercruiser **Inboard** engine running on **Gas/Petrol** , prioritizing straightforward operation and ease of servicing from Chaparral.

Q: How many people can sleep aboard, and is there a head? A: The interior is arranged to **sleep 2** and includes **1 head** , consistent with its classification as a compact motor yacht.

Q: What are the key dimensions and draft? A: Overall length is **28 ft (8.7 m)** , beam measures **8 ft (2.59 m)** , and the **draft** is 2.756 ft (0.84 m), facilitating straightforward handling and docking.

Q: What is the hull type and construction? A: The vessel is a **Monohull** with a **Fiberglass** deck and a hull within the fiberglass construction category, conceived by the Chaparral Design Team.

Owner Experience Review

Owners often deploy the 280 Signature from Chaparral for a wide range of family activities—from sandbar gatherings hosting 8–12 people to coastal hops and barrier island overnight stays. Feedback highlights a steady, secure ride produced by the modified V hull (approximately 18° aft deadrise), with factory estimates of 34–35 knots when equipped with twin 4.3L MerCruisers.

On the water, owners report solid handling in typical coastal or lake chop, though models with older or lightly powered V6 engines may struggle to plane when heavily loaded; performing a sea trial is recommended to verify engine

and propeller suitability. Belowdecks, the 10' beam and increased freeboard afford standing headroom and a functional mid cabin layout featuring a convertible forward dinette, a U shaped dinette, and an aft double berth. Typical onboard amenities include a head and galley (frequently without an oven), with A/C and heat offered as optional equipment. The cockpit's wraparound seating and transom setup are well suited for family lounging and daytime cruising.

Maintenance notes focus on predictable sterndrive items—impellers, bellows, exhaust gaskets, and trim/drive servicing—along with the usual age-related wear of electrical and AC systems (for example, compressors and shorepower/chargers). Many older Signatures were built with wood cored floors, transoms, and stringers, prompting surveyors to recommend thorough moisture and structural inspections, since hidden water intrusion can be a major issue. Overall, several owners find routine upkeep manageable but advise budgeting for sterndrive and cabin system maintenance.

Pros and Cons

- Versatile for family overnights and day cruising, with advertised sleeping for six and comfortable day use for 8–12 aboard.
- Stable modified V ride (~18°) with owner praised construction and factory quoted 34–35 knot performance with twin 4.3L MerCruisers.
- Roomy interior with standing headroom, a practical mid cabin layout, and optional A/C and heat.
- Older or underpowered V6 setups can be sluggish to plane under heavy load; a sea trial is recommended.
- Wood cored floors/transom/stringers on many older boats require thorough inspection for moisture and rot.
- Sterndrive service and aging electrical/AC components can add notable ongoing ownership costs.

Comparison with Other Models

Model	LOA	Beam	Draft	Speed (Cruising/...	Gross Tonnage
280 Signature	28' 0" (8.70 m)	8' 0" (2.59 m)	2' 9" (0.84 m)	24 kn / 34 kn	1
330 Signature Cruiser	33' 0" (10.06 m)	11' 0" (3.43 m)	10' 5" (3.17 m)	22 kn / 41 kn	
H20	21' 0" (6.43 m)	8' 0" (2.52 m)			
257 SSX	25' 0" (7.80 m)	8' 0" (2.59 m)	2' 4" (0.70 m)	20 kn / 51 kn	
Vortex 243 VRX	24' 0" (7.39 m)	8' 0" (2.59 m)	4' 1" (1.25 m)		
300 OSX	30' 0" (9.30 m)	9' 0" (2.90 m)	6' 0" (1.83 m)		
Signature	31' 0" (9.45 m)	10' 0" (3.23 m)	6' 7" (2 m)		
280 OSX	30' 0" (9.30 m)	9' 0" (2.74 m)	9' 10" (3 m)		
Vortex 203 VRX	20' 0" (6.17 m)	8' 0" (2.44 m)	3' 7" (1.08 m)	40 kn	
21 SSI	21' 0" (6.55 m)	8' 0" (2.54 m)	7' 11" (2.42 m)		

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Hull Material:

Fiberglass and Plastic Yachts

Hull Configuration:

Monohull

Interior Designer:

Chaparral Design Team

Engines:

1

Engine Type:

Inboard

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Total Heads:

1

Deck Material:

Fiberglass

Hull Designer:

Chaparral Design Team

Manufacturer:

Mercruiser

Fuel Type:

Gas/Petrol

GALLERY











CONTACTS

Shestakov Yacht Sales is a brokerage company specializing in the sale and service of yachts worldwide. The company offers services for buying and selling both new and used motor yachts, sailing vessels, and luxury superyachts. They also provide yacht registration, insurance, technical maintenance, crew selection, and charter organization services across the U.S., Canada, Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Bahamas.

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